INFORMAL SESSION April 7, 2008

The Board of Supervisors of Maricopa County, Phoenix, Arizona, convened in Informal Session at 10:00 a.m., April 7, 2008, in the Board of Supervisors' Auditorium, 205 W. Jefferson, Phoenix, Arizona, with the following members present: Andrew Kunasek, Chairman, District 3; Max W. Wilson, Vice Chairman, District 4; Fulton Brock, District 1 and Don Stapley, District 2. Absent: Mary Rose Wilcox, District 5. Also present: Lupe Lerma, Assistant Deputy Clerk; Liz Evans, Minutes Coordinator; Sandi Wilson, Deputy County Manager and Chris Keller, Chief Counsel, Civil Division. Votes of the Members will be recorded as follows: aye-nay-absent-abstain.

#### 1. SERVICE AWARDS

Item: Michael Rubino read a short biographical sketch on each of the following employees, who have provided 30 or more years of public service to Maricopa County. He called each to come forward, with their supervisors and/or department directors, to receive a plaque and congratulations from the Board, honoring their years of service to the citizens of Maricopa County. (C3508006900) (ADM3341)

#### 30 Years of Service

Name	Department	Employment Date
Danny C. Segoviano	Parks & Recreation	January 4, 1978
George S. Doimas	Assessor's Office	February 7, 1978
Michael J. Hopper, Sr.	Sheriff's Office	March 13, 1978
Timothy D. Overton	Sheriff's Office	March 13, 1978

#### 35 Years of Service

Name	Department	Employment Date
Deborah L. Overton	Sheriff's Office	March 5, 1973
Walter E. Weglarz	Materials Management	February 16, 1973
Terry J. Adams	Public Defender	February 15, 1973

#### 40 Years of Service

Name	Department	Employment Date
James Duffy Watson	Clerk of the Superior Court	February 5, 1968

#### 2. VECTOR CONTROL PROGRAM AND ACTIVITIES – CONTINUED

Item: Overview of the Vector Control Program's 2007 season and report its projected activities for 2008. This item was continued to the April 21, 2008 meeting. (C8808006M00) (ADM2350)

Joy Rich, Assistant County Manager John Townsend, Vector Control Division Manager

#### 3. COX COMMUNICATIONS' FRANCHISE UPDATE

Item: Update on Cox Communications' cable franchise activities in Maricopa County. The presentation will include Phoenix metropolitan network architecture, overview and update of Cox service offerings, municipality/county communications services, and community support. (ADM609)

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Michael Stull, Manager of Government Relations, Cox Communications

Michael Stull presented an overview of the Cox Communications organization and leadership structure. Mr. Stull indicated that Cox contributed over \$17 million charitable donations throughout the County during 2007 and listed a number of organizations in which Cox maintains a presence. He said that as well as providing at least basic cable to more than 17,000 Maricopa County residents, Cox also provides support and communication services to business and government entities.

Mr. Stull disclosed that Cox will be expanding from 29 basic cable channels to 85 by the end of 2008, as well as the continued expansion of telephone services. By midyear, video on-demand should be available throughout the metropolitan and County areas, as well as other new or expanded services. Video on-demand would provide an avenue for the County to broadcast events that are accessible to customers at their discretion.

Mr. Stull explained that most of what is being done with new services requires significant upgrades to technology to increase bandwidth. These upgrades are expected to be completed by the first quarter of 2009 and may cause some limited service disruptions, but the company will employ a number of methods to notify customers of outages ahead of time.

Mr. Stull gave an overview of Cox's Green Initiative, as follows:

- 275 customer care agents telework from home in Phoenix and Tucson
- All small and midsize company vehicles are being incrementally upgraded to fuel efficient technology
- 164 technicians participate in a program that allows them to start and end their shifts from home, decreasing travel time and reducing emissions
- Facilities are being retrofitted with energy efficient equipment and lighting
- Solar energy technologies are being incorporated, where it makes sense, to power the telecommunications network

Mr. Stull briefly mentioned the Congressional mandate that television broadcast stations must return their analog spectrum to the government and broadcast in digital format over public airwaves by February 17, 2009. He explained that while the change will not impact Cox customers, it will affect people with analog television sets who do not have a digital converter.

# 4. REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #509 VOUCHERS/WARRANTS

Item: The Board of Supervisors, pursuant to its authority granted in A.R.S. §15-1001, will consider for approval vouchers presented by the County School Superintendent of Maricopa County to draw warrants on the County Treasurer against Maricopa County Regional School District #509 School District funds for necessary expenses against the school district and obligations incurred for value received in services (except for payroll vouchers) as shown in the Vouchers. (ADM3814-003)

The Board of Supervisors may consider ratifying any Maricopa County Regional School District #509 vouchers and/or warrants (except for payroll vouchers) approved in accordance with the procedures of A.R.S. §15-321 since the last meeting of the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors may hear staff reports on the vouchers and warrants being considered. The Vouchers are on file in the Maricopa County's Clerk of the Board's office and are retained in accordance with ASLAPR approved retention schedule. (ADM3814-003)

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Motion was made by Supervisor Wilson, seconded by Supervisor Stapley, and unanimously carried (4-0-1) regarding action on the following voucher:

Ratify Voucher No. 7029

\$154,584.53

Staff did not update the Board of Supervisors on regional schools operations and finances. (ADM3814-005)

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion was made by Supervisor Stapley, seconded by Supervisor Wilson, and unanimously carried (4-0-1) to recess and reconvene in Executive Session in the Tom Sullivan Conference Room to consider items listed on the Executive Agenda, pursuant to listed statutory authority, as follows.

# <u>LEGAL ADVICE; SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS CONDUCTED IN ORDER TO AVOID OR RESOLVE LITIGATION; PURCHASE, SALE OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY – A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3), (A)(4) and (A)(7)</u>

# E-1. Legal Advice Related to State/County Budget Issues

Sandi Wilson, Deputy County Manager Diane Sikokis, Director, Government Relations Richard Bohn, Government Relations Dennis Lindsay, Manager, Real Estate Chris Keller, Chief Counsel Bruce White, Deputy County Manager

#### LEGAL ADVICE; PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION – A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) and (A)(4)

# E-2. Luke Air Force Base Aux – 1 restrictions

Joy Rich, Assistant County Manager Chuck Kelhoffer, Outside Counsel Jean Rice, Deputy County Attorney Terry Eckhardt, Deputy County Attorney Diane Sikokis, Director, Government Relations Rick Bohan, Government Relations Chiefs of Staff Latto, Bloom, Isham

# LEGAL ADVICE; PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION - A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) and (A)(4)

# E-3. Daniel Torrez, at al. v. Maricopa County Special Health Care District, at al., CV2007-000857 Michael Frazelle, Outside Counsel

Peter Crowley, Risk Manager

Note: The Board of Supervisors sat in dual executive session as the Board of Directors of the Flood Control District for the following item only. Chairman Kunasek recused himself for a conflict of interest and Supervisor Wilson received the gavel and chaired the following portion of the meeting at 1:05 p.m.

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E-4. Transwestern Pipeline Company v. Maricopa County, CV07-2333-PHX-JWS (consolidated)

Kenny Harris, Assistant County Manager John Hauskins, Director, Transportation, did not attend Mike Wilson, Public Works Real Property Manager Adrian Gough, Deputy County Attorney Jean Rice, Deputy County Attorney Tim Phillips, Director, Flood Control District

# **MEETING ADJOURNED**

At the	e conclusio:	n of di	scussio	n on th	e above	items	and	there	being n	o furthe	r business	to come	bef	ore t	he
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	Andrew Kunasek, Chairman of the Board
ATTEST:	
Lupe Lerma, Assistant Deputy Clerk of the Board	